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Dear Howard:

Many thanks for your kind note of congratulations and offer of assistance. I really appreciate it. This is a very challenging assignment and I will do my best to deserve the confidence that has been shown me.

I am happy to see that your visit has been scheduled for next week and I'm looking forward to having you at lunch here after your briefings.

Faithfully,

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